FISCAL NOTE

SB 2487 - HB 2761

March 4, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Amends TCA Title 54, Chapter 1, Part 1 by adding a new section to require the Department of Transportation to implement the *Tennessee Trash Terminator Program*, a program of public awareness of littering and the problems and expense this causes on the highways. Provides for the possible distribution of plastic bags of a size suitable for use in motor vehicles at vehicle licensing agencies, mailed along with licenses/tags and possibly through private outlets wanting to co-sponsor a *Trash Terminator Program*, such as gasoline retailers, banks and grocery companies.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Less Than \$100,000/Highway Fund

Estimate assumes an increase in state expenditures to the Highway Fund resulting from development of the new program by the Department of Transportation. The amount of such expenditures would depend on the size of the program, whether private sponsors can be obtained and the extent to which existing funds for litter control are used. The amount of such expenditures cannot be determined but is estimated to be less than \$100,000. This is based on the assumption that some parts of existing litter control programs will be replaced by this program to prevent duplication and existing funding will be used to some extent.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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